

PROTECT INDIANS

NEW RULING REGARDING SALES
BY "INCOMPETENTS"

MONEY MUST BE DEPOSITED IN TREASURY

Check to be Made Out by Guardian—
Indian Agent Must Know That In-
dian Gets Value Received—Ruling
Does Not Apply to All Indians

MUSKOGEE: The Indian agent for the five civilized tribes has been notified of an important change in the rule in selling land through the agency. The new rule is that in cases where, in the opinion of the Indian agent, the allottee selling his land is not competent to handle the money received from the sale, the money must be deposited in the United States treasury, and will be subject to the check of the guardian of the incompetent or minor, as the case may be, not to exceed the amount of \$10 per month, and the agent will have to know that the Indian is getting value received for each check. The term incompetent refers to Indians whose knowledge of business affairs is limited. The new order also states that those whose land has already been sold but the deal not yet returned from the department approved, shall be subject to the new ruling. The order does not apply to the Indians who are educated and perfectly able to handle their interests, but is a measure intended to protect the full blood who has as little idea of the value of money as a child.

The folly of the policy of the department in throwing all the safeguards around the manner of sale of the Indian's land and then leaving him to his own free will with all the money in his hand proved to be the very worst possible thing for the Indian, and it is to correct this that the ruling was made.

The purchaser of the land will have to put up the entire sum of money just the same as heretofore.

SANITARY COMMISSION WILL TRY TO COMPLETELY KILL MANGE MITES

GUTHRIE: The Oklahoma live stock sanitary commission has its campaign inaugurated to fight the mange mites in the only infected district of Oklahoma, parts of the counties of Beaver and Woodward. The infected district is under special quarantine, and no cattle are allowed to come within its boundaries from the north and west, and the authorities expect to make the final fight this winter. The infected district includes several townships of the cattle country proper.

R. H. Hahn of Alva, territorial cattle inspector, has the special quarantine district in charge, and will manage the winter campaign against the mites. He says it will be an interesting campaign, and he will have the aid of the sheriffs of both counties. According to Hahn one pair of the mites multiply in one season to a million and a half of the pests. Their lives are short. They increase and multiply during the cold months after the

WILL NOT ADVISE Texas Commissioner Says Farmers Know When to Sell Cotton

AUSTIN, TEX.: Colonel E. S. Peters, in the name of the Texas Cotton Raisers' association, has written a letter to W. J. Clay, commissioner of insurance, agriculture, etc., asking that official to write an open letter to the cotton raisers of Texas advising them to hold their cotton until the market pays at least ten cents per pound for the fleecy staple. The letter is identical with the one read at the recent meeting of the southern agricultural commissioners, at which time it was stated that the commissioner of Georgia had complied with the request and published a letter to the farmers of that state telling them to hold their cotton for ten cents or better.

Commissioner Clay has filed the letter, but will not comply with the request made therein, believing that the farmers of Texas are intelligent enough to know when the market will give them satisfactory prices. He does not care to advise the farmers to hold their cotton, thereby predicting that the market will go to a certain price, or that in the event it should fall, and he does not claim to know whether it will rise or fall, then the farmers would blame him for advising them to hold, when they could sell for a little more than nine cents, or better than the fallen price. Therefore the Texas commissioner will not issue a letter of advice to the farmers or make public expression of his opinion of the cotton market, though he hopes for higher prices.

Sold After Two Years
SHAWNEE: An issue of \$30,000 bonds voted two years since for the purpose of building a city hall, but never sold up to this time, have been disposed of to a Chicago firm, through Mr. Edwards of Oklahoma City. The plans for the city hall include a council chamber, offices for clerk, water commissioner and other officials, and also a fire station in the rear, with a jail in the basement and room for the police court. The new building is to be built as soon as the contract can be let, and the entire \$30,000 will be used for its construction and furnishing.

CREEKS ARE DETERMINED

Adopt Resolutions in Council to Have
Lot Sales Investigated

MUSKOGEE: The Creeks are determined to have the alleged frauds in connection with the sale of town lots in the Creek nation probed to the very bottom. This was evidenced by the adoption of a resolution by both houses of the Creek council over the veto of Chief Porter, requesting the secretary of the interior to appoint persons not officially connected with the United States government or with the Creek nation to make such an investigation.

The resolution alleges that favors have been shown certain persons in the sale of town lots, especially in the towns of Muskogee, Okmulgee and Sapulpa, and that these persons have been allowed to purchase lots at much less than their actual value, while other lots in adjoining blocks have been appraised to less favored persons at values far too high.

TO BUY ENTIRE COTTON CROP

Japanese Firm Establishes Depot at
Oklahoma City

OKLAHOMA CITY: Oklahoma City has been selected as one of the three points in the United States by the house of Mitsui, Tokio, Japan, for a general distributing depot for the middle states for the goods received here from that country. The house of Mitsui has branch houses in every country on the globe, and employs more than 50,000 people, with a capitalization of more than \$8,000,000. This company proposes to buy the whole cotton product of Oklahoma and Indian Territory and ship it to Japan. M. Waragi is the representative of the Japanese company who has perfected arrangements here. All the Japanese goods destined for the middle states will be shipped here and distributed.

GRAND LODGE ADJOURNS

Odd Fellows Select Place of Meeting
Next Year at Perry

ENID: The grand lodge of the I. O. O. F. of Oklahoma completed its labors and adjourned. The meeting next year will be held at Perry. Grand lodge officers installed for the ensuing year are as follows: G. D. Moss, grand master, Kingfisher; J. A. B. Robertson, deputy grand master, Chandler; J. S. Romine, grand warden, Butte; H. L. Strough, grand secretary, Guthrie; William Risch, grand treasurer, Perkins; W. H. Wilhour, grand representative, Byron.

The Rebekahs elected the following officers: Mrs. Edith M. Robertson, president, Newkirk; Mrs. Ida C. Beck, vice president, El Reno; Mrs. Emma A. Wilhour, warden, Byron; Mrs. Cora S. Brown, secretary, Waukomis; Mrs. Anna B. Yeakey, treasurer, Enid.

Had Expected a Quiet Wedding

ENID: The honor of being married before the several grand bodies of Odd Fellows was accorded B. F. Elliott and Miss May Dawson of Guthrie. They arrived in Enid in the evening and were met at the train by uniformed cavaliers, 100 strong, and escorted to the Elks' home, where the different grand bodies had assembled, and were married by Past Grand Master Quick before 400 spectators. They received several handsome presents from the members. The publicity of the event was a complete surprise to both bride and groom, who had expected a quiet wedding.

New Insurance Rate

ARDMORE: Notice has been received by all insurance agencies in the Indian Territory of a new insurance rate on residence property, which was agreed on by the companies on September 27. This new rate amounts to an average reduction of thirty-five cents on the hundred and comes as a very welcome change from the old rate, which was regarded as being very high.

WORLD'S MARKET

Cotton.

GALVESTON SPOTS.			
Ordinary	7	Middling	9 1/4
Good Ordinary	8 1/4	Good Middling	10 1/4
Low Middling	9 1/4	Middling fair	10 1/4

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Grain.

KANSAS CITY.

WHEAT.			
No. 2 red	1 13	1 15	
No. 2 hard	1 08	1 10	

CORN.

No. 2 mixed	47 1/2	48	
No. 2 white	48 1/2	49	

OATS.

No. 2	30	30 1/2	
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CHICAGO.

WHEAT.			
No. 2 red	1 16	1 18	
No. 3 red	1 13	1 15	
No. 2 hard	1 13	1 15	

CORN.

No. 2	50 1/2	54	
No. 2 white	50 1/2	54	
No. 2 yellow			

OATS.

No. 2	31	31 1/2	
No. 2 white			

Live Stock

KANSAS CITY.

CATTLE.			
Steers—best	5 25	5 40	
—fair to good	4 —	5 25	
Western fed steers	4 —	4 75	
Stockers and feeders	2 25	4 25	
Southern steers	2 10	3 75	
Western cows	1 50	3 50	
Native cows	1 50	3 50	
Native heifers	2 50	4 50	
Bulls	1 50	3 25	
Calves	2 50	4 —	

HOGS.

Heavy	5 25	5 45	
Packers	5 10	5 30	
Pigs and lights	4 80	5 20	

SHEEP.

Native lambs	5 00	5 25	
Native sheep	3 25	3 50	
Native ewes	3 —	3 00	

CHICAGO.

CATTLE.			
Beef	5 75	6 —	
Cows and heifers	2 50	5 —	
Stockers and feeders	2 —	4 —	
Texans	4 50	5 50	
Westerns	3 50	5 50	

HOGS.

Mixed and butchers	5 00	5 50	
Good to choice heavy	5 30	5 50	
Rough heavy	4 70	5 15	
Light	4 90	5 40	
Bulk of sales	5 —	5 50	

SHEEP.

Sheep	5 75	6 20	
Lambs	5 50	5 85	

FORT WORTH.

CATTLE.			
Steers—top	3 75		
—bulk	2 60	3 25	
Cows—top	2 25		
—bulk	1 50	2 10	
Calves—top	3 70		
—bulk	2 35	4 —	

HOGS.

Top	5 25		
Bulk	5 —	5 15	

WANTS EVEN START

Creeks Want President to Extend
Clemency Before Dissolution

MUSKOGEE: The Creek council, sitting at Okmulgee, passed a resolution praying that the president extend clemency to Creek citizens who are serving terms in prison for any offense, before tribal relations are dissolved.

It is the desire among many of the leading Indians in the Creek nation that Creek prisoners be released in 1906 or their terms shortened so that they may be given an opportunity to start all over again under the new conditions that will then exist. The advocates of this plan say that before the advent of the white man there were very few criminals among the Indians in the territory. They argue that many of the crimes and offenses committed by Indians in recent years have been the result of the introduction of liquor and firearms by white men, who are in a sense responsible for the infractions of the law.

Only Two Vacant "Shacks" in Town

MUSKOGEE: Engineers making plats and maps of the city and a census of the houses, for the purpose of putting in \$100,000 worth of water main extensions, have discovered the fact that there are but two vacant houses in the entire city, and these are two "shacks" that are almost untenable. This is considered remarkable in a town of 12,000 people.

ARRESTED AT AMARILLO

A. J. Wilson Will Face a Murder
Charge at South McAlester

SOUTH McALESTER: A. J. Wilson was arrested at Amarillo, Tex., charged with the assassination of Lon O'Kelly in this city last August. O'Kelly was killed as he was drawing a bucket of water from a well claimed by Wilson, and just after he had been warned to remain away from the well.